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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to a Restriction Requirement mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 16, 2006 for the above-identified patent application. A request for an appropriate extension of time and the requisite fee are filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.